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	First Inventor or Application Identifier	Leo Medeiros
	Title	Method for Nitriding Suspension Components
	Express Mail Label No.	EL 747 232 868 US

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147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
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117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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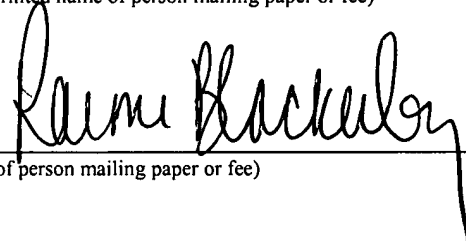
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